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WORLD'S GREATEST BANKER AND OHIO RIVER IS RISING FROM FINANCIER IS DEAD IN ROME MARIETTA, O., TO ITS MOUTH

AFTER LONG ILLNESS CAUSED BY EMOTION

Arising from Senate Committee's Probe of the Money Trust.

KINGS CONSULT HIM

Career Shows Him a Master of Finance and Industry.

NEW YORK, Mar. 31.—J. Pierpont Morgan is dead. He died at 12:05 Rome time this afternoon, which was 6:05 New York time this morning. This announcement was made at the offices of J. Pierpont Morgan and Company.

Coincident with Mr. Morgan's death it became known that he had sustained a serious attack before his departure for Europe, but he had rallied so rapidly that it was known only to his most intimate friends.

Trip His First Rest.

For several years Mr. Morgan spent a considerable part of his time abroad but on this trip for the first time he severed all connections with business affairs. It was the first time he severed all connections with since he entered the banking business in this city before the Civil war.

Prominent bankers do not anticipate any unfavorable effect on the stock market. They explain that the rumors of his serious illness had prepared the market for any eventuality.

Mr. Morgan started His Business Career

half a century ago when he became the director of an insurance company through the influence of his wealthy father. For a year he attended the directors' meetings but never opened his mouth except to vote. The president of the company told the elder Morgan that nothing could be done with his son. Young Morgan, however, all this time was laying his plans for his first railroad consolidation which, when accomplished, established his standing in Wall street as the only man who ever got the better of Jay Gould.

Morgan's control over men and (Continued on page four.)

67 BODIES

Are Recovered in Columbus and the Efforts Are Continued.

COLUMBUS, O., Mar. 31.—With a total of sixty-seven bodies recovered, most of them identified as having been among the missing, efforts to recover other bodies believed to have been swept down by the current were continued today.

It was planned to explore sections that for five days have been under water. The order of the mayor to make all sightseers on the West Side work or be confined in the workhouse is expected to have a salutary effect on persons who merely want to see what is going on in the flood district.

FAIRMONT MAN

Will Represent the Red Cross Society in Flooded Parkersburg.

A. T. Sherwood, secretary of the Fairmont Associated Charities, was in Parkersburg Monday on his way to Parkersburg, where he is to take charge of the flood relief work there on behalf of the American Red Cross Society. The society telegraphed Mr. Sherwood from its headquarters at Washington, D. C., asking him to proceed thither at once if he could. He wired his acceptance immediately and made arrangements to go to Parkersburg.

RELIEF FROM ABROAD.

PARIS, Mar. 31.—American residents in Paris are arranging to send \$10,000 to President Wilson for the relief of the flood sufferers in Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia and other states.

CAR IS GONE AND MATINEE IS OFF

Baggage of the Newlyweds Company is Taken Away by Mistake.

The adage that troubles never come singly is fully believed by the theatrical company billed for an engagement here in "The Newlyweds and Their Baby." The company is about as badly stranded here as it was by the surging waters of the Ohio river at Ironton, O., as by mistake its baggage car, containing all its scenery and costumes, was attached to a train and carried out of Parkersburg Sunday night or early Monday morning by somebody's mistake.

After rapid fire telegraph work at the local railroad station the wandering baggage car was finally located in the Fairmont yards and it was ordered sent back to Parkersburg at once. Promise was given that the car would arrive here at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, but the manager of the company did not want to take any chances on that promise, so he called off the matinee performance scheduled for 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. There is every assurance, however, that the car will arrive in time so that the company can give its night performance.

The company is considerably put out by the cancellation of its afternoon performance. The management had gone to great expense and trouble to get out of the flooded Ohio valley and come to Parkersburg on a special train by way of Charleston, and, of course, it needed all the loose change it could garner by matinee as well as other performances.

It is stated that suit will be entered against the railroad company provided a satisfactory settlement is not made for the loss caused by the mistake of taking the baggage car away.

NO FOOD

Given the Men of Parkersburg until They Go to Work.

PARKERSBURG, Mar. 31.—"No work, no food," was the trite command issued by Mayor Murdoch to the flood sufferers today through the two military companies on guard in this city. As a result hundreds of men were soon at work clearing the streets of the great mass of debris washed down by the Ohio flood.

The river is falling slowly this afternoon but it will be several days before normal conditions will be established.

News from the Ohio valley to the South tells of destruction and suffering but so far as known there has been no loss of life.

Two relief boats and a fine engine have been sent from Charleston to Point Pleasant at the mouth of the Kanawha where it is reported fire is raging.

Marietta, twelve miles above here, could not be reached in any way today.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.

The first state uniform examination of school teachers will be held here Thursday and Friday in the Pierpont school building. Applicants are requested to go to the office of the county superintendent on Court street between the hours of 2 and 7 o'clock Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of enrolling. The examination will begin promptly at 7 o'clock each morning.

SPECIAL OFFER TO TELEGRAM PRIZE CONTESTANTS IS MADE

"Competition Week" Bonus Votes as Reward for Work Done This Week—Prizes on Display—Contestants Reporting First Yearly Subscription to Receive Extra Votes.

The people of Clarksburg and surrounding country are experiencing one of the greatest subscription campaigns ever waged in the state of West Virginia. The magnificent array of prizes which the Telegram is offering in its \$6,000 Prize Voting Contest to the energetic men and women of this part of the state for a little work in their spare time has attracted contestants in such numbers that the nomination list already has reached a high mark and additional nominations are being received and added every day. This evening will be found several new names in the different districts.

Everyone of the prizes is well worth winning, and with the exception of the European tours, have been purchased from Clarksburg merchants, and are now on display at the different places of business where the prizes were purchased, and all contestants and interested friends are invited by the merchants to call and inspect them.

The "Get Acquainted Day" bonus offer of 15,000 extra votes, for the first yearly subscription turned in to the Contest office of the Daily Telegram was enthusiastically received throughout each district. In each of the four districts many contestants took advantage of this opportunity to secure an extra vote on one subscription. One of the pleasing features of this offer was that many contestants came to the Contest office and made themselves acquainted with the Contest manager, or sent to the office a subscription and requested more detailed information concerning the rules and conditions.

Another feature that was very marked was that several contestants called at the office and brought in their own nomination, and the number of subscriptions which each one turned in shows that they realize the importance of being in earnest at the very beginning of the campaign. This enthusiasm and interest exhibited on the part of the public is only natural when one takes into consideration the extraordinary value of the prizes offered by the Daily Telegram. To be a winner of any one of these valuable prizes is an honor in itself, to say nothing of the pleasure and enjoyment of obtaining the coveted prize.

In order to give any contestants who have not as yet entered the contest a fair chance, a bonus of 10,000 extra votes will be given each contestant who reports their first yearly subscription.

To make the Daily Telegram contest the greatest success of its kind ever undertaken in Central West Virginia, interest must not lag, neither must it stand still, but it must increase steadily day by day until the awarding of the prizes at the close of the contest.

SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK ENDING APRIL 5.
In order to stimulate interest in the campaign this week, and to set a pace in the contest that will mean excitement and interest throughout the remaining weeks, we have decided to call this week our "COMPETITION WEEK," and will offer "Competition Week" bonus votes as follows:

BONUS NO. 1—EACH DISTRICT.
To the contestant in each district securing the largest number of subscription votes between Monday morning, March 31, and 10 p. m. Saturday, April 5, we will give a "Competition Week" bonus of 50,000 votes.

BONUS NO. 2—EACH DISTRICT.
The contestant in each district securing the next largest number of subscription votes during the same period will receive a "Competition Week" bonus of 40,000 votes.

BONUS NO. 3—EACH DISTRICT.
The contestant in each district securing the next largest number of subscription votes during the same period will receive a "Competition Week" bonus of 30,000 votes.

BONUS NO. 4—EACH DISTRICT.
The contestant in each district securing the next largest number of subscription votes during the same period will receive a "Competition Week" bonus of 25,000 votes.

BONUS NO. 5—EACH DISTRICT.
The contestant in each district securing the next largest number of subscription votes during the same period will receive a "Competition Week" bonus of 20,000 votes.

BONUS NO. 6—EACH DISTRICT.
The contestant in each district securing the next largest number of subscription votes during the same period will receive a "Competition Week" bonus of 15,000 votes.

It must be understood that these bonus votes to be awarded on "Competition Week" are extra votes, and that all contestants will receive the votes according to the regular schedule, and the "Competition Week" bonus vote in addition.

DON'T HOLD SUBSCRIPTIONS.
It should be understood that in order for subscriptions to count in this "Competition Week" bonus offer that they should be reported when received. They can be sent in any day during the week, in fact contestants are urged not to hold their subscriptions until Saturday, but to send them in so that they can be credited and the paper started.

OUT OF TOWN CONTESTANTS.
In order to give contestants living outside of Clarksburg an equal opportunity with those living in the city, subscriptions will be received and the votes counted in the "Competition Week" offer, provided letters con-

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LOAVES OF BREAD BY THE THOUSAND

Are Sent to Flood Sufferers by the Hope Gas Company.

The Hope Natural Gas Company, which has been doing everything in its power to help the sufferers in the flood districts of the Ohio Valley has purchased 10,000 loaves of bread and shipped them to Marietta, O., to be distributed among the homeless.

The bread was sent on a special railroad train through Clarksburg Sunday midnight to Ellenboro, where it was unloaded and taken to St. Marys in wagons. There a chartered boat was waiting for it and it was taken to Marietta. Pipe liners went along to repair broken gas

lines. Local representatives of the Hope company purchased all the bread they could in this city, almost a thousand loaves, and shipped it to New Martinsville, where it was distributed. Marietta, O., which has been cut off from the outside world for the last few days, was united again Sunday by the efforts of the linemen of the Hope company. The men made a pontoon line across the river by tacking the wires to barrels and placing the barrels at intervals of twenty feet apart and roping them together so they could not float down stream.

A telegram received Monday afternoon at the company's office here stated (Continued on page five.)

MESSAGES TAKEN BY A MOTOR BOAT

HIGH WATERS

Now at Cincinnati and the River Continues to Rise There.

CINCINNATI, O., Mar. 31.—Spreading over a vast expanse of territory in this city as well as an almost equal amount in the various towns that lie along the river on the Kentucky shore the Ohio river here which at this point is within two feet of being as high as at any previous time in its history today continues to rise.

During the night the central part of the city was thrown into panic by an explosion that could be heard for miles. The Union Carbide Company had been destroyed presumably by the carbines coming in contact with so much water. No one was injured.

The river reached the stage of 69.3 feet at noon today and continued to rise at the rate of .2 a foot every two hours. The crest of the flood is expected to reach here some time late today, and it is believed now that the dreaded 70-foot stage will not be passed.

RELIEF SENT

By Steamship from Wheeling to the People of City of Parkersburg.

WHEELING, Mar. 31.—Immediately after the receipt of a telegram from Governor Hatfield this morning that residents of Parkersburg were without food and drinking water, the relief committee sent a steamboat loaded with provisions, drinking water and clothing to Parkersburg this afternoon.

The governor also sent telegrams to other towns in the state appealing for aid for Parkersburg.

AN AGED RESIDENT DEAD AT HER HOME

Mrs. Lydia Hoff, Widow of Silas Hoff and Native of County, Passes On.

Mrs. Lydia S. Hoff, widow of Silas Hoff, died at her home at 224 Water street at 3:30 o'clock Monday morning after a long illness of paralysis.

Mrs. Hoff was born in 1832 at Brownsville, now Mt. Clare, and lived there the earlier part of her life until she moved to Clarksburg where she had lived ever since. In 1864 she and Silas Hoff were married and to this union twelve children were born. The deceased woman was a lifelong member of the Methodist Protestant church and was a devout church worker.

Mrs. Hoff is survived by ten children, a brother, sixteen grandchildren and five great grandchildren. The daughters are Misses Maud and Ellen, living at home; Miss Rose, of Pittsburg; Mrs. Mary A. H. Gordon, of this city; Mrs. Nora Albright, of Orlando, Fla.; Mrs. Presley Davidson, of Jane Lew, and Mrs. Geneva Rector, of Petroleum. The sons are John and Boyd Huff, of Watts Valley, Calif., and Louis Hoff, of San Diego, Calif. The brother is Edward S. Robinson, of Bowler, Braxton county.

The funeral services will be held at the home. The Rev. G. D. Smith, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, will conduct the services. The burial will be in the Odd Fellows cemetery. The time of the funeral will be announced when the relatives who reside out of the city are heard from.

Big Stack of Telegrams Carried to Parkersburg by E. J. Thompson.

By means of a motor boat especially engaged for the purpose, the Western Union Telegraph Company finally delivered a batch of telegraphic messages to the flood bound people of Parkersburg Sunday evening, the first they had received in days.

The messages were delivered personally by Edward J. Thompson, manager of the company's office here. There were 390 of them. Mr. Thompson put them into a small satchel, took train No. 55 from this city to Walker Station, fourteen miles east of Parkersburg, and thence rode in the motor boat to Parkersburg, where the messages were turned over for local delivery to the Western Union manager there. He returned to Clarksburg the same night.

Parkersburgers were overjoyed to receive the messages and Mr. Thompson was highly praised and thanked for his enterprise in delivering them. He says the flood conditions in Parkersburg are terrible, the entire business section there being flooded up to Sixth and Market streets. The property loss will be millions.

One hundred and ninety telegraphic messages for Marietta, O., people were finally transmitted Sunday evening by the Western Union office here. They were telegraphed over a private wire of the Hope Natural Gas Company, which managed to establish communication with Marietta by floating an insulated wire on board rafts across the raging Ohio river below Parkersburg.

Several telegraphic messages were also delivered from the Clarksburg office to a government light boat at Sistersville by telephone. The local was stopped there by means of flash light signals.

SPECIAL MEETING.

There will be a special meeting of the American Insurance Union at 7:30 o'clock tonight in its hall in the Williams building.

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Cities and Towns Are Under Water All the Way to Cairo, Ill.

UPPER PART FALLS

Five Thousand Are Homeless in the City of Huntington Now.

Floods in the Ohio river from Marietta, O., to its mouth have caused thousands of people to seek refuge on higher ground.

Early today the water is still rising and heavy property damages are reported. Railroad traffic has been impeded and many miles of track have been washed out. Fifteen hundred Illinois state troops have been ordered to Cairo.

To Patrol the Levees. There has been no loss of life reported today.

Reports today from Henderson, Owensboro, Louisville and Covington, Ky., Evansville, Ind., Cincinnati, Portsmouth and Marietta, O., and Huntington and Parkersburg, W. Va., show that the damage will run into millions.

A telephone message from Cairo, Ill., said that the

Levees were still holding, the water still being several feet below the dykes.

City Under Water.

LAWRENCEBURG, Ind., Mar. 31.—Practically the whole of this city is under water today and more than fifty buildings are known to have been carried away. A large carriage factory burned last night. It is not believed there has been any loss of life.

At Huntington.

HUNTINGTON, Mar. 31.—The Ohio river became stationary here soon after midnight and this morning was falling slowly.

Relief committees have taken up the task of feeding and caring for approximately

Five thousand Homeless

persons. It is expected that by this afternoon the situation will be well in hand.

Governor Hatfield returned to Charleston early today when it became plain that matters here would not grow worse.

Bad at Ashland.

Reports from Ashland, Ky., and Ironton, O., are to the effect that conditions there are bad. The property loss in this part of the Ohio valley will be enormous.

Flood Bulletin.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 31.—This is today's special river and flood bulletin by the weather bureau:

"The Ohio river is falling from Pittsburg to Huntington. It is rising from Cincinnati to Cairo. The readings at the principal weather bureau stations at 7 a. m. follow:

"Pittsburg—13.7 feet, 8.3 below flood stage.
Cincinnati O.—69.2 feet, 19.3 above flood stage.
Louisville, Ky.—48.7 feet, 15.7 feet above flood stage.
Cairo, Ill.—52 feet, 7 feet above flood stage.

Garrison Sees Cox.

COLUMBUS, O., Mar. 31.—Secretary of War Garrison arrived here today and immediately went into conference with Governor Cox regarding the flood situation in Ohio.

Only Few Leaves.

DAYTON, O., Mar. 31.—In the bread line today was Eugene Barney, a millionaire, whose gifts to charity have been very large. He obtained three loaves of bread and a small sack of potatoes.

FINED BY JUSTICE.

David Lloyd was convicted in Justice T. G. Nicewarner's court Monday morning of drunkenness at the Baltimore and Ohio railroad station, for which he was arrested by J. A. Campbell, railroad detective, and was fined \$1 and costs, which he arranged to pay.